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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the utility patent application of

HARDY et al. Serial No. 10/654,788 Filing Date 09/04/2003 For DEPLOYABLE BAG FOR A VACUUM BOX

Request to Act upon a Petition for Retroactive Foreign Filing License

To the attention of

Art Unit 1744 Special Petitions

Commissioner for Patents Post Office Box No. 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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sir:

Thank you for the FILING RECEIPT for this application. Among other things, the FILING RECEIPT granted a foreign filing license as of November 25, 2003.

Please, however, act upon the <u>Petition for Retroactive</u>
<u>Foreign Filing License</u> filed with the original application
materials on September 4, 2003. The required fee of \$130.00
(Check No. 531) was also submitted with the original materials.

Note that in addition to that set forth in the petition, the FILING RECEIPT memorialized granting of a foreign filing license for this technology. This would further support the granting of a retroactive foreign filing license.

No deceptive intention was or is present.

Respectfully,

Dated: December 29, 2003 A.D.

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